

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Beatriz Perez Esteban et al.

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For: Sequences from an endosymbiont and their uses

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the non-final Official Action dated September 25, 2006, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.